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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: RH, PORG

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE ON SANCTIONS TIGHTENING (COST) FEB 28

REF: USUN 176

1. COST MET FEB 28 AT CANADIAN MISSION TO HEAR OIL  
SANCTIONS EXPERT BERNARD RIVERS. RIVERS, QUESTIONED  
CLOSELY BY COST MEMBERS, WENT INTO CONSIDERABLY MORE  
DETAIL ON THE MECHANICS OF OIL FLOWS TO RHODESIA THAN HE  
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HAS BEFORE ANY FORMAL UN BODY.

2. A CANDID EXCHANGE BETWEEN RIVERS AND IRANIAN REP (WHO  
HAS RETURNED TO THE FOLD) CAST MORE DOUBT ON WORTH OF  
SAG ASSURANCES TO GOI ON NON-SHIPMENT OF REFINED IRANIAN  
CRUDE TO RHODESIA. FIRST, AS IRANIAN REP (ESFANDIARY)  
ADMITTED, SAG ASSURANCES APPLY ONLY TO PRODUCTS REFINED

FROM THAT CRUDE SHIPPED BY NIOC TO THE NATREF REFINERY NEAR JOHANNESBURG (PERHAPS 20 PERCENT OF TOTAL IRANIAN CRUDE OIL EXPORTS TO SA). REST OF IRANIAN CRUDE SHIPPED BY MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS (MNC'S) TO SA (AND PRODUCTS REFINED THEREFROM) IS NOT COVERED BY SAG ASSURANCES. IRANIAN POSITION REMAINS THAT AS SOON AS CRUDE OIL IS SOLD TO MNC'S IN IRAN, IRAN HAS NO FURTHER RESPONSIBILITY REGARDING ITS ULTIMATE DESTINATION. RIVERS ALSO POINTED OUT THAT SAG ASSURANCES ON NON-SHIPMENT OF IRANIAN-ORIGIN NATREF PRODUCTS ARE NOT WORTH MUCH SINCE NATREF PRODUCTS, ACCORDING TO RIVERS, ARE MIXED WITH PRODUCTS FROM DURBAN REFINERIES ALONG THE ROUTE OF THE DURBAN-PRETORIA PIPELINE. SINCE OIL PRODUCTS GET TO MESSINA AND HENCE RHODESIA VIA THAT PIPELINE, IT WOULD BE TECHNICALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR SAG TO ASSURE ANY REFINERY USING THAT PIPELINE THAT ITS PRODUCT IS NOT INCLUDED IN THAT SENT TO RHODESIA.

3. SWEDEN AND FRG SUBMITTED REPLIES TO COST QUESTIONNAIRE. ONLY HOLD-OUTS LEFT NOW ARE US, CANADA, ITALY AND IRAN.

4. NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD IN ONE MONTH AT NETHERLANDS MISSION.

5. FOR PRETORIA: CAN YOU TELL US WHETHER DURBAN-JOHANNESBURG PIPELINE EXTENDS, OR IS BEING EXTENDED, TO MESSINA? YOUNG

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